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Accordingly, the rejections under 35 U.S.C. 102 and/or 103 should be reconsidered and withdrawn.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with their duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicants would like to direct the Examiner's attention to the following disclosures, which are listed on Form PTO-1449 (**Exhibit A**). Copies of the disclosures listed below as items 1-4 are attached hereto as **Exhibits 1-4**, respectively.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the issuance of a final Office Action to submit references cited in a March 16, 2004 Supplementary Search Report in the counterpart European application. According to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d) this Information Disclosure Statement shall be considered if accompanied by the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) and a statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e).

The required fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) is ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY DOLLARS (\$180.00) and a check including this amount is enclosed.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e), applicants state that each item of information contained in this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement. Specifically, each item of information contained in this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement was cited in March 16, 2004

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Supplementary Search Report in the counterpart European application, a copy of which is attached as **Exhibit 5**.

1. Bagga et al., "Coexpression of the Maize δ -Zein and β -Zein Genes Results in Stable Accumulation of δ -Zein in Endoplasmic Reticulum-Derived Protein Bodies Formed by δ -Zein", Plant Cell, American Society of Plant Physiologists, Rockville, MD, US, No. 9, September 1, 1997, pages 1683-1696 (**Exhibit 1**);
2. Denis et al., "Effect of sulphur levels on transgenic double-low *Brassica napus* plants expressing a seed-specific gene encoding a methionine-rich 2S albumin", Plant Breeding, Vol. 115, No. 3, 1996, pages 145-151 (**Exhibit 2**);
3. Saalbach et al., "Stable Expression of the Sulphur-rich 2S Albumin Gene in Transgenic *Vicia narbonensis* Increases the Methionine Content of Seeds", Journal of Plant Physiology, Vol. 145, No. 5-6, 1995, pages 674-681 (**Exhibit 3**); and
4. Waddell et al., "Effect of over-expression on a sulphur rich 2S albumin on the sulphur metabolism of seeds in transgenic *Vicia narbonensis*", Plant Physiology (Rockville), Vol. 114, No. 3 Suppl., 1997, page 302 (**Exhibit 4**).

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider and make of record the references cited in this Information Disclosure Statement.

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